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### Mr. Almame, an International Student from the Republic of Mali, Passed the Japanese Language Proficiency Test N5!

Mr. Almame, a second-year student at SEISA Kokusai High School Shonan Men's Basketball major, successfully passed the Japanese Language Proficiency Test (JLPT) on his first attempt. It was his second summer vacation since arriving in Japan, and he had busy days, including an expedition to Nagano Prefecture and practice matches in various locations. During the Obon holiday, he stayed at his teammates' home and enjoyed a fun time, including shopping in Yokohama and playing at Oiso Long Beach.

The other day, he received the result of JLPT N5 that he took before the summer vacation. He was extremely happy to have passed on his first try and said he would like to study further in preparation for the N4 exam scheduled for December. After the summer vacation, there will be a first-term exam and then the preparations for the autumn basketball tournament will begin. Please look forward to his future success, having grown even more after overcoming the hot summer in Japan.



Passed the JLPT N5! With Japanese Language teacher Mrs. Watanabe



Summer holidays with his teammate in Yokohama



First time at Oiso Long Beach



#### **Kesete's Activities**

Mr. Kesete Habtetsion, an FGC staff from Eritrea, is actively involved in activities to introduce his home country of Eritrea through sports and food culture. This summer, in mid-August, he participated as a member of the SEISA Group in the TSUMAGOI SKYRUN held in Tsumagoi Village, Gunma Prefecture, where he won the 18km middle Skyline division, setting a new record for the event. In addition, in late August, he participated in the Takao Rock Festival 2024 held at SEISA Takao Campus, where he served his original Eritrean-style curry. Despite the hot summer weather, many people came and enjoyed the curry. Ms. Chintia Yokota, who was the trainee for the JICA Nikkei Communities Training Program in January this year, came to visit the venue!





## Kingdom of the Himalayan Dragon to the World "Once Again"



The Bhutan Olympic Team and BOC Chairman HRH Dasho Jigyel Ugyen Wangchuck (center of photo)

Bhutan has been competing in archery, its national sport, at consecutive Olympic Games since the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. The Paris 2024 Olympic Games continued that tradition. At the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games in 2021, Ms. Karma made history by becoming the first Bhutanese athlete to compete in the tournament, and now Mr. Ram Dorji has followed suit this time. In the 100m freestyle swimming event, Mr. Sangay Tenzin competed for the second consecutive Olympic Games following the Tokyo Games, setting a new personal best and the national record. Furthermore,

Ms. Kinzan Lhamo's first-ever appearance in the women's marathon was an inspiration to the world. She finished 80th (last place) in the women's marathon. Although she had to stop several times along the way, she made it to the finish line with the support of the crowd. Her time was 3 hours 52 minutes 59 seconds, 1 hour 30 minutes 4 seconds behind the leader, but her perseverance touched the hearts of many. On social media, people commented, "Thank you for showing your strength," and "I saw something amazing!".



Thank you very much for your deep understanding and cooperation in the activities of FGC. We are also making an effort to support our activities not only with money but also with "donated goods" by sending us postcards Thank you for your donation.

Many people have donated used stamps and postcards. The collected stamps and postcards were exchanged for cash, and the total donation amounted to 54,000 yen.

The donations we received will be used to support the recov-



Ms. Kinzan Lhamo

applause; losers are rarely celebrated, and almost always forgotten. An unsung, hitherto unknown, sportswoman from a landlocked Himalayan nation on her first Olympics quest changed that on the last day of the Paris Games on Sunday." Saying "She lumbered on to the end to a standing ovation in a rare display of pride, grit and endurance." Her running was also said to embody the belief of Pierre de Coubertin, a French man of letters also widely referred to as the father of the modern Olympics, who had summed up the cred of the

Games: "The important thing in the Olympics is not winning but taking part." Even though Bhutan has yet to win a medal at the Olympics, her run has been recognized

as having done more than that.

Furthermore, at the Paris Paralympics, para rifle athlete Ms. Kinley Dem competed in the Women's Air Rifle Standing SH1 event as the first and only Bhutanese representative. In Paris, she achieved the dream that she was unable to achieve at the Tokyo Olympics. Despite it being her first time competing, she achieved an amazing result, coming in 10th place. Starting with Tokyo 2020, Bhutan competed in multiple Olympic sports and two consecutive Paralympic Games, and the passion for sports among the younger generation is growing. The success at the Paris Games symbolizes that Bhutan's sports world has entered a new era. It demonstrates the importance of collaboration between countries, non-profit organizations. and local communities. FGC believes that education and sport have transformative powers, giving young people the opportunity to realize their potential. Our partnership with these countries is based on mutual respect, common goals, and a strong commitment to developing the next generation of leaders.



The Indian newspaper Telegraph also published an article titled "How Bhutan's Kinzang Lhamo won hearts despite finishing last in the women's marathon," stating, "Winners seldom go sans

Ms. Kinley Dem

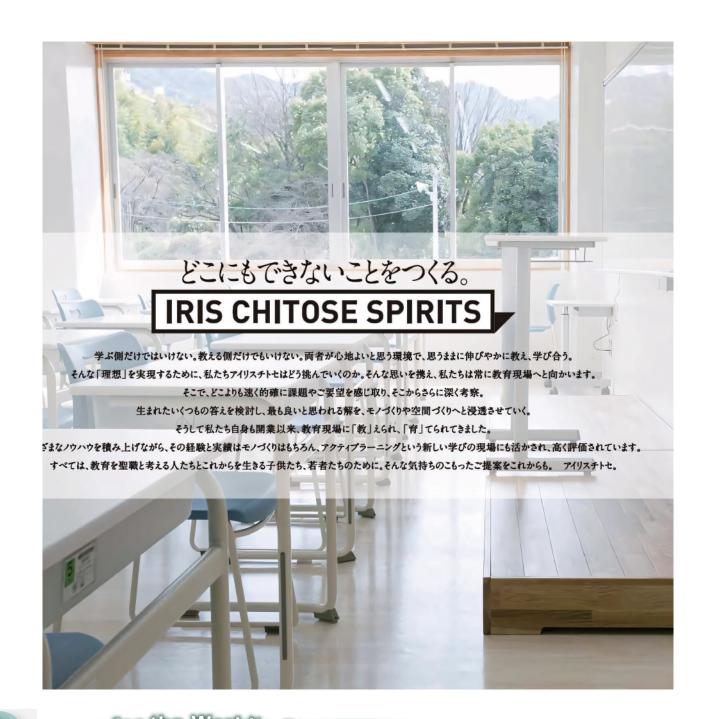
ery of those affected by natural disasters in Japan, as well as education, sports, medical care, and welfare support and activities in countries outside of Japan.

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